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Re:

Minor Modification to Resource Recovery and Protection Plan (R2P2), Revised Mining Plans with Timing, Lila Canyon Mine, Logical Mining Unit UTU-73516, UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. (UEI)

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received the UtahAmerican Energy March 29, 2010 submission to modify the Resource Recovery and Protection Plan (R2P2) for the subject mine. The modification revises the timing of the mining plan, including starting coal production in the second quarter of 2010. The proposed timing revision is in Federal Logical Mining Unit UTU-73516.

<u>Proposed Plan:</u> The modification revises the timing of the R2P2 mine plan and shows coal production will start-up in the second quarter of 2010. No other mine plan changes are indicated; therefore the recoverable coal tonnage remains the same.

Approval: The BLM has reviewed the revised R2P2 and approves the revised coal production timing for the Lila Canyon Mine, Logical Mining Unit UTU-73516.

<u>Maximum Economic Recovery (MER):</u> The extraction of the Federal coal following this plan will achieve MER.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA): As mining will occur in the same areas that were previously approved for mining, no new surface disturbance is predicted and is therefore Categorically Excluded (CX) from NEPA analysis under DM 516 chapter 11.5, paragraph F. (8): Approval of minor modifications to, or minor variances from, activities described in an approved underground or surface mine plan for leasable minerals.

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This R2P2 modification complies with the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, the regulations at 43 CFR 3480, and the lease terms and conditions. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Rigby at the Price Field Office at (435) 636-3604 or Jeff McKenzie of my staff at (801) 539-4038.

Roger L. Bankert

Chief, Branch of Minerals

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Enclosure: Approved Mine Map

cc: PFO

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